

# SERVAIS Emile

(1847 - 1928) <sup>1</sup>

Luxembourg-city

## Biography

Marie Joseph Emile SERVAIS belonged to the Mersch branch of the Luxembourg SERVAIS families. <sup>2</sup> His father Emmanuel SERVAIS was President of the Government from 1867 to 1874 and subsequently mayor of the city of Luxembourg from 1875 to 1890.

Emile SERVAIS' biography is well documented, primarily as a politician, <sup>3</sup> but also as manager of the Weilerbacher-Hütte. <sup>4</sup>

Emile SERVAIS was born in 1847 in Luxembourg-city (373 rue de l'Eau).

He graduated from the Athénée in 1863, at the age of 16 and qualified as *ingénieur civil des Mines et des Arts et Manufactures*. He worked in various companies in Germany before he took over, in 1873, the management of the Colmar Berg foundry which the Servais family had acquired in 1862. The foundry was closed in 1877 and Emile moved to the Hollerich foundry, also owned by the Servais family.

In 1878 Emile SERVAIS became Director of the Weilerbacher-Hütte owned by members of the Servais family.

He was a member of the Luxembourg Parliament from 1893 to 1897 and councillor of Luxembourg-city from 1894-1900.

In 1923 he stepped down as manager of the Weilerbacher-Hütte and appointed his youngest son Moritz as his successor.

His creative work as inventor falls into 2 time periods:

1873-1878 (Colmar Berg and in Hollerich)

1878 - 1902 (Weilerbach)

Emile SERVAIS died in 1928 at the age of 81.

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<sup>1</sup> [FamilySearch database \(G36G-FXL\)](#)

<sup>2</sup> Jules Mersch, *Les familles Servais*, [Biographie nationale, Fascicule 20 \(1972\)](#)

<sup>3</sup> Jules Mersch, *Les familles Servais*, *Biographie nationale, Fascicule 20 (1972)*, *Emile Servais* ([page 592](#))

<sup>4</sup> Hiltrud Holzberger, *Heimatkalender Landeskreis Bitburg-Prüm, 2004*, pages 138-150